**REMARKS** 

In the prior Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement under

35 U.S.C. §121 and 372. In response, applicants hereby elect, without traverse, to

prosecute the Group II invention (claims 5 and 7-9), which is drawn to a method of

manufacturing a copper alloy. Accordingly, claims 5 and 7-9 remain pending in the

application. Claims 1, 10, 14, 16 and 18-24 are now indicated as having been

withdrawn from consideration.

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the elected claims are

in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is

determined that the elected claims are not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner

is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite

prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please

charge same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, our Order No. KOY-15896.

Respectfully submitted,

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